

Online Safety

Coffee Morning

18th January 2024



Online Safety at Byron Wood

- Taught as part of the RSE curriculum
- More discussion-based subject
- Allows for more debate about the subject
- Is taught consistently across all year groups.

Why is it important

- Screens are everywhere now
- Internet is a fantastic place but is also dangerous.
- One of the first generations to have instant access to the internet easily.
- You have access to pretty much everything. There are controls but not everything can be blocked/hidden.

Online Safety in KS1

- Y1 are taught about healthy screen time and the right amount of time to spend on it. Long periods on tablets/phone can affect concentration levels and moods.
- Y2 are taught about what personal information is and why we should never give it out online.

Online Safety in LKS2

- Y3 are taught about talking to strangers online. Sometimes they are not who they say they are.
- We also talk about online bullying. As children start to play online games, sometimes they behave differently online compared to real life.
- Y4 is based heavily around the internet and fake news. Information is easy to find, but can everywhere be trusted?

Online Safety in UKS2

- Y5 explore social media and the pressures that can come with it.
- They also recap talking to strangers and giving out personal information, even minor details, can have major consequences.
- Y6 look at bias, fake news, social media echo chambers (algorithms), and positive and negative material online.

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Facebook



Snapchat



Instagram



Twitter



TikTok



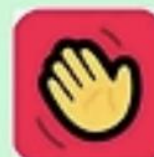
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House Party



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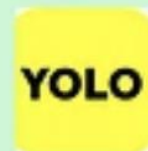


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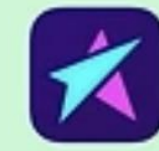


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MeetMe



LiveMe

Online Safety:

- An estimated one-third of children have a social media account
- It is important that a trusted adult knows what content a young person/child is accessing
- Many terms are being used such as 'legal but harmful' content

It can be difficult to keep up, for both children and adults



Tips for parent/carers to keep children safe online

- Manage what apps and online sites they can access
- Turn off Push-Notifications
- Use devices together
- Keep devices out of bedrooms and use in open shared spaces
- Check history
- Talk about what they are seeing, take an interest
- Encourage other activities, such as physical activity
- Be aware of well-being



Online world and mental health

What can cause harm to a child's emotional well-being:

- Influences
- Hate and crime being normalised
- Peer pressure
- Cyber bullying
- Accessing inappropriate content, not age appropriate



Age Restrictions for Social Media Platform

The minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps are:

- YouTube is 18 however with parental consent, it is 13.
- YouTube Kids



Other areas of risk:

- Inappropriate content- sharing of age-inappropriate pictures/ videos
- Cyber bullying
- Online grooming
- Online self-harm
- Radicalisation



In school

- All students have their own log in details
- All laptops and iPads are monitored in school using IT software
- Our school Online-Safety policy is accessible on the school website



In school

- If a concern is raised in school, parents will be notified, and intervention work will take place at different stages

Educative conversation with student/s



Direct intervention work



Meeting with parent/carer to discuss further support



Online Safety Act 2023

- New legislation, in effect of January 2024

‘The Act means that tech companies running social networking sites or search engines must promote online safety by tackling illegal material and content that is harmful to children, conducting regular risk assessments, and properly enforcing age limits.’

‘To make sure companies meet these requirements, the government has placed the independent regulator Ofcom in charge of enforcing the regulatory framework and raising awareness around online safety.’

NSPCC





petition hand-ins

After four petition hand-ins

Tacking illegal and harmful content

Companies must prevent children from accessing content that is harmful or age-inappropriate. This includes content depicting, promoting or facilitating:

- pornography
- serious violence
- bullying
- self-harm
- eating disorders

Prevent, detect and remove:

- child sexual abuse
- controlling or coercive behaviour
- terrorism
- suicide.

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If companies fail to comply with the new rules, Ofcom have powers to enforce:

- Fines of up to £18 million, or 10% of the company's annual global turnover, whichever is greater
- Criminal action against companies and/or senior managers who fail to comply with requirements or fail to follow requests from Ofcom
- Business disruption measures, including preventing companies from being accessed or generating income in the UK.



Reporting illegal content

- If you're concerned about your child receiving illegal content such as violence and inappropriate pictures, report it to the police
- Do not delete any messages or information, such as threats, harassment or illegal images
- Show these to the police
- Police can re-trace information, however this takes time and resources



Who to speak to with concerns

- Your child's teacher or any adult in school
- Work can be completed with students if concerns are raised around Online- Safety
- NSPCC website
- Please take a leaflet at the end of the session

